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I would like to update you on the odor problem associated with the discharge from Lake Thomas. Since my last letter to you, Public Service Company of Colorado (PSCo) has taken the following steps to address this problem.

The discharge was closed from 3:00 P.M. Saturday through 7:00 P.M. Tuesday of the Labor Day weekend to provide some short term relief. Currently the discharge will only be open from approximately 7:00 A.M. till 4:30 P.M. daily through September 11, 1995, at which time the discharge will be closed until at least September 18, 1995.

PSCo has contracted with ENCORE Environmental, Inc., to complete an assessment of the lakes water and sludge chemistry as well as the hydrogen sulfide gas coming from the lake. ENCORE is nationally recognized for their experience in hydrogen sulfide problem identification and mitigation. This study commenced on September 5, 1995, with the data collection portion anticipated to be completed by September 11, 1995.

PSCo Engineering has spent considerable time reviewing options for modifying the discharge structure to accommodate discharge from the surface of the lake during hot weather periods. The results of the ENCORE study will provide additional information needed to determine if any of these options are viable.

In addition, our chemistry department personnel are investigating the sources of the water flowing into the lake and are taking samples upstream of the lake.

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PSCo has committed substantial time and resources over the past two weeks working on this problem. We appreciate your patience as we continue our efforts to address your concerns. I will continue to keep you informed of our progress.

Please contact me at (303) 294-2978 if you wish to discuss the information in this letter or Jesse Brungardt at (303) 620-1341 or pager (303) 556-1990 if you have specific questions on the lake or discharge conditions.

Very Truly Yours



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